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All persons are by nature free and independent, and have certain natural and unalienable rights, among which are those of enjoying and defending life and liberty, of acquiring, possessing, and protecting property, and of pursuing and obtaining safety and happiness. -- Article 1. Section 1. New Jersev State Constitution

The 'Living' Constitution Is in **Serious Condition**

By David Stolinsky

FBI raids office, home, hotel room, and safety deposit box of Donald Trump's lawyer, Michael Cohen, and seizes computers, flash drives, phones, and records. - News report

Liberal Prof. Alan Dershowitz calls raid on lawyer "really appalling," "a dangerous day for lawyer-client relations," and "unconstitutional." -News report

As Martha Stewart, Lewis "Scooter" Libby, and Michael Flynn learned to their sorrow, when you talk to federal agents, and you say something that contradicts what others said, you can be sent to prison - even if there was no provable underlying crime. This being the case, a Miranda warning should be required before anyone is interviewed by a federal agent.

They tell us, "See something, say something." But as the Parkland school shooting proved, even if we say something, they may not do anything.

The Sixth Amendment guarantees criminal defendants the right to be represented by counsel. But what good is that, if the attorney's records may be seized and scrutinized by prosecutors?

Some contacts between lawyer and client are not privileged. Purely business dealings or crimes may not be privileged. But who decides? The prosecutor reads through everything, decides what isn't privileged, and then uses what is privileged to find a "workaround" and use it as well.

It sounds like the prosecutor holds all the cards, including the power to bully the defense lawyer with threats of imprisonment.

Even the confessional of the Catholic Church is not immune from government snooping. permitted police to bug the confession of a prisoner to his priest. Yes, it was in a prison, not a church. Still, bye, First Amendment. Bye bye, free exercise of religion.

What's next? What's the next part of the Constitution that will be shredded, the next freedom to pass away?

As Marshal Beria, head of the KGB secret police in the Soviet Union used to say, "Show me the man and I'll find you the crime." We used to believe that the KGB and the FBI were totally different. But we were naïve. We thought that we Americans were fundamentally different - we couldn't be secret policemen. We were wrong.

The Constitution is seriously ill. Are we going to help it survive? Are we going to give it the needed medicines of originalist interpretation and deep respect? Or will we sit idly, playing video games, watching sports while munching snacks, and occupying ourselves with while our most precious possession dies from abuse and neglect? - ifpo.org April 16, 2018

Texas shooting details supercharge NRA's 'good guy with a qun' defense

Security duo shot and killed gunman in Texas, prompting gun-rights groups to urge states to pass laws expanding firearms access

Every time the US suffers a mass shooting, gun rights activists argue that if a good guy with a gun had been there, the tragedy could have been prevented.

Gun control groups dismiss the argument as unrealistic, a diversion away from the need to restrict firearm access. But a recent shooting has

supercharged the "good guy with a gun" defense.

Two people were shot dead on Sunday during a church service in White Settlement, Texas, before the attacker was shot and killed by two members of the church's security team.

"A gunman open-fired and within three seconds, a good guy with a gun stopped him. This was possible due to critical changes to Texas law in 2017," the National Rifle Association tweeted.

Following the 2017 shooting at a church in Sutherland Springs, which left 26 people dead, Texas attorney general Ken Paxton, issued an opinion stating that "unless a church provides effective oral or written notice prohibiting the carrying of handguns on its property, a license holder may carry a handgun on to the premises of church property as the law allows".

Paxton's opinion was codified into Texas law, clearing the way for church security teams like the one at White Settlement.

But the aun-control group Newtown Action, which was founded after the 2012 shooting at Sandy Hook elementary school, pointed out that the congregant who shot the gunman was reportedly a former FBI agent.

Such instances of defensive firearm use are also rare in the larger landscape of America's gun violence. According to the not-for-profit Gun Violence Archive, only 1,532 gun violence deaths in the US this year have been the result of defensive use, representing about 4% of the total number of such deaths.

That total figure - 39,150 gun violence deaths in 2019 - now includes the two innocent congregants who were shot in the span of a few seconds on Sunday, despite the presence of a "good guy with a gun".

'Over \$50 billon in waste'

Senator Rand Paul (R-KY) has an annual tradition of revealing how much money the US government wastes in what he calls 'Festivus airing of grievances.'

Paul unleashed a tweetstorm on Monday linking to his waste report that alleges the US government wasted over \$50 billion dollars in 2019.

"Some of my favorite waste report grievances," Paul said, revealing the US govt spent \$466,991 on studying frog mating calls in Panama.

US govt spent more than \$33 million on textbooks for students in Afghanistan while US teachers use their own money for supplies here.

Also, \$1,200,000 on studying habits of online dating app users.

\$22 million spent on bringing Serbian cheese up to international standards.

These are only a few examples but you get the idea. But we couldn't possibly cut spending right? No waste here, no sir! #HappyFestivus

Senator Rand Paul (@RandPaul)
 December 23, 2019

Millions spent on improving the quality of TV in Moldova and hooking Zebrafish on nicotine...

Tens of millions spent 'green growth for Peru' and studying the connection with drinking alcohol and winding up in the ER.

Had enough yet, America? -- thegatewaypundit.com Dec. 23, 2019

Will the digital age kill off spying? CIA in crisis

Advances in facial recognition, biometrics and artificial intelligence have made it almost impossible for spies to hide, due to facial recognition at airports and general CCTV surveillance.

In one attempt to tackle the crisis, the CIA created a multi-million dollar program called the Station of the Future, intelligence officials revealed to Yahoo News.

The program involved a team of spies trying to build tools and test techniques that could help the industry battle the digital age.

Duyane Norman, a former CIA official and the mastermind of the now-shuttered Station of the Future program, said: 'The foundations of the business of espionage have been shattered.'

Officials say the efforts to address challenges brought by digital footprints, advances in biometrics and artificial intelligence continue to be a priority.

The rise in popularity of DNA kits, like the ones marketed by 23andMe and Ancestry, is considered to be one of the difficulties currently facing intelligence officials.

According to a memo cosigned by the Pentagon's top intelligence official, genetic information collected by the home-testing companies could leave employees open to 'personal and operational risks'.

While military personnel have been ordered not to use the kits, officials say it is likely someone within their family already has.

Experts now warn that exposing a spy could be as easy as getting a saliva sample from a cup or cigarette to reveal if they are operating under a fake name.

Given the advancements in biometric data at some airports, as well as border crossings, officials say it has become almost impossible for spies to have more than one identity within one country.

To cope with the developments in technology, some foreign agencies such as China - have taken to using notech methods like carrying out dead drops in remote locations.

The Russians have started holding their covert meetings in Central and South America, especially Peru, where biometrics systems aren't as advanced.

Agents in the U.S., Russia and China often now work under their true identities because digital footprints are becoming too hard to hide.

The CIA has started working with some private sector businesses in the U.S. to place their agents. That way when the person has finished working with the CIA they can easily go back to working normally within that company.

-- dailymail.co.uk 30 Dec 2019

Belgian court revokes citizenship of Sharia4Belgium terrorists

The Belgian Court of Appeal has ruled to remove the passports of six Islamic extremists convicted of terror offences in absentia in 2015 after they left the country to fight for jihadist groups in the Middle East.

The six men were dual nationals with citizenship in Morocco and Belgium, and were all activists with the group "Sharia4Belgium".

The whereabouts of the six men remain unknown, although several sources believe that some of the jihadists were killed while fighting for terrorist groups in Syria.

Sharia4Belgium's leader Fouad Belkacem was convicted of sending men to fight with terror groups in Syria and sentenced to 12 years in prison.

Sharia4Belgium was also linked to the Paris Bataclan attackers.

Denmark announced plans to strip the citizenship of Islamic State fighters in October.

Norway has implemented similar measures, revoking the residence permits of any individuals who left Norway to fight for the Islamic State terror group abroad.

--breitbart.com/202001/04

Sebastian Gorka on 'The War for America's Soul'

In his new book, "The War for America's Soul," Sebastian Gorka details with alarm how the political left was radicalized and how socialist, communist ideology managed to penetrate and subvert core American institutions.

In Gorka's view, there's a war being waged for the soul of America, namely "the collective principles, the first principles, upon which this nation was founded" - a strongly held belief in the "individual and the God-given rights of the individual—what Reagan called that 'shining city on the hill."

The subversion of first principles is evident on today's campuses.

"How is it that you can go to an Ivy League college today in America to major in English literature, and for four years not study William Shakespeare ... because he's white, he's male, and he's a heterosexual, and therefore, he's an oppressor?" Gorka said.

Gorka was compelled to write "The War for America's Soul" after an incident at his daughter's college graduation.

In front of crowds of graduating students and their families and friends, a girl walked up to Gorka to say, "[Expletive] you, you [expletive] Nazi!"

"When you call somebody—whose parents suffered under fascists, under Nazi occupation [as his parents did in Hungary]—a Nazi ... what have you done to the content of that word?" Gorka said.

"That's why I wrote 'The War for America's Soul': to explain how in America, the country that people flee to for their freedom, you have a 19-year-old girl with that level of brainwashing behave the way she did in public," Gorka said.

The radical left's takeover of America's core institutions "didn't

happen overnight," Gorka said. "It wasn't a function solely of the eight years of Obama."

"In large part, we are responsible because we allowed them to implement a plan which they call 'the long march through the institutions."

Drawing inspiration from Andrew Breitbart's book "Righteous Indignation," Gorka outlined what he sees as the origins of radical leftism.

The ideological beliefs of political leaders on the left, such as Rep. Alexandria Ocasio-Cortez (D-N.Y.), former President Obama, and Hillary Clinton, can all be traced back to the Italian Marxist philosopher Antonio Gramsci, in Gorka's view.

The forefathers of the modernday left in America—individuals such as Gramsci, Gyorgy Lukacs, Max Horkheimer, Herbert Marcuse, and Saul Alinsky—"had an epiphany: They realized the flaw in Karl Marx's writings and in Engels's writings," Gorka said.

"If you tried communist revolution in robust, healthy Western nations like America, they'd be doomed to failure because of the traditions, the strength of the family, civic society, and so forth."

So instead of openly attacking traditional institutions, "you organize inside of existing structures until you can radicalize them wholeheartedly from the inside." Gorka said.

"Whether it's the press, whether it's Hollywood, whether it's the education system, these institutions have been targeted over decades, and they have been taken over by radicals."

Saul Alinsky founded modern community organizing and articulated his tactics in "Rules for Radicals." At the very beginning of "Rules for Radicals," Alinsky penned an acknowledgment of Lucifer—"the first radical known to man who rebelled against the establishment and did it so effectively that he at least won his own kingdom."

When Hillary Clinton studied at Wellesley College, she wrote her senior thesis on Alinsky's model.

"This is a plan that's been gestating for 80 years, and that's how we get to the Democrat Party that is typified by radicals, communists, socialists." Gorka said.

Sebastian Gorka is host of America First on Salem Radio Network

"American Thought Leaders" is an Epoch Times show available on Facebook, YouTube, and the Epoch Times website.

theepochtimes.com Nov. 7, 2019

Review: To Shake Their Guns in the Tyrant's Face: Libertarian Political Violence and the Origins of the Militia Movement by Robert H. Churchill

"Churchill has performed a signal service in documenting that the concept of legitimate political violence has a long historical tradition in America, and that even a movement as despised as the modern militia raises valuable questions about civic responsibility in the face of unconstitutional, even tyrannical, state behavior."—Indiana Magazine of History

After the bombings of Oklahoma City in 1995, most Americans were shocked to discover that tens of thousands of their fellow citizens had banded together in homegrown militias. Within the next few years, numerous studies and media reports appeared revealing the unseen world of the American militia movement, a loose alliance of groups with widely divergent views. Not surprisingly, it was the movement's most extreme voices that attracted the lion's share of attention.

In reality, Robert Churchill writes, the militia movement was neither as irrational nor as new as it was portrayed in the press. Churchill uses three case studies to illustrate the origin of some of the core values of the modern militia movement: Fries' Rebellion in Pennsylvania at the end of the 18th century, the Sons of Liberty Conspiracy in Civil War-era Indiana and Illinois, and the Black Legion in Michigan and Ohio during the Depression. Building on extensive interviews with militia members, the author places the contemporary militia movement in the context of these earlier insurrectionary movements which, animated by a libertarian interpretation of the American Revolution, used force to resist the authority of the federal government.

Robert H. Churchill is Associate Professor of History at the University of Hartford.

-- www.press.umich.edu

The New York Times' 'irresistible urge to delegitimate America'

For two years the *Times* invested heavily in "Trump Russia." But last summer Dean Baquet, Executive Editor of the *Times*, grasped the spectacular failure of its leading man, Special Counsel Robert Mueller, to deliver a happy ending to the entire enterprise.

Huddling with his staff Baquet said, "We built our newsroom to cover

one story (the now-debunked story that Donald Trump had "colluded" with Russia to steal the 2016 election)."Now we have to regroup," he said, by writing about race in a "thoughtful" i.e. obsessive and one-sided way.

The result was The 1619 Project to observe "the 400th anniversary of the beginning of American slavery" and "to reframe the country's history, recognizing 1619 as our true founding."

What followed was a stupefying race-based fantasy about the origins of the United States. The lead essay by the black journalist Nikole Hannah-Jones, the "architect" of The 1619 Project, set the tone. "[O]ne of the primary reasons the colonists decided to declare their independence from Britain was to protect the institution of slavery." So forget about the Stamp Act, the Boston Tea Party, "No taxation without representation". What Americans really cared about, according to this malignant fairy tale, was preserving and extending the institution of slavery.

For the *Times*, this narrative fits in with what Power Line's Paul Mirengoff called its "irresistible urge to delegitimate America." That is the ultimate aim of The 1619 Project: to besmirch and diminish the political and moral achievement of what is the United States of America.

The distinguished historian Allan G. Guezo, writing in *City Journal* notes that "The 1619 Project is not history: it is polemic, born in the imaginations of those whose primary target is capitalism itself and who hope to tarnish capitalism by associating it with slavery."

The 1619 Project represents a new nadir in the politically correct, anti-American machinations of *The New York Times*. Perhaps an unintended collateral benefit of this malign folly will be – finally, at last – to expose the paper to the condign contempt of the public whose trust they have so extravagantly betrayed. – Based on "Notes and Comments" in *The New Criterion*, January 2020

Gunman sentenced to life in murder of border agent; case exposed 'Fast and Furious'

TUCSON, Ariz. — A man convicted of shooting U.S. Border Patrol agent Brian Terry nine years ago in a case that exposed a botched federal gun operation known as "Fast and Furious" was sentenced Wednesday to life in prison.

Osorio-Arellanes was convicted of first-degree murder and

other charges last year after being extradited from Mexico in 2018.

Terry's death exposed the "Fast and Furious" operation, in which U.S. federal agents allowed criminals to buy firearms with the intention of tracking them to criminal organizations. But the U.S. Bureau of Alcohol, Tobacco, Firearms and Explosives lost track of most of the guns, including two found at scene of Terry's death.

The Obama administration was heavily criticized for the operation. Former Attorney General Eric Holder was held in contempt by Congress for refusing to turn over documents related to the sting.

Terry, 40 and a former U.S. Marine, was part of a four-man team in an elite Border Patrol unit staking out the southern Arizona desert on a mission to find "rip-off" crew members who rob drug smugglers.

Five of the seven men charged in Terry's killing are serving prison sentences after pleading guilty or being convicted. Only one, Jesus Rosario Favela-Astorga, has not been extradited or tried after being arrested in October 2017. -- NBC News January ,8 2020

Ed.: According to Wikipedia "On June 28, 2012, Holder became the first U.S. Attorney General in history to be held in both criminal and civil contempt" for refusing to cooperate in the Fast and Furious investigation. "In July 2015, Holder rejoined Covington & Burling. The law firm's clients have included many of the large banks Holder declined to prosecute for their alleged role in the financial crisis. Matt Taibbi of *Rolling Stone* opined about the move, "I think this is probably the single biggest example of the revolving door that we've ever had."

Nearly 400K anchor babies born in 2019

Close to 400,000 anchor babies were born in the US in 2019 as an executive order to end birthright citizenship gets kicked down the road for another year by President Donald Trump.

According to the Center for Immigration Studies in 2018 about 300,000 U.S.-born children of illegal aliens are born every year. These children, often referred to as "anchor babies," immediately obtain American citizenship and anchor their illegal or foreign parents in the country.

In addition, about 72,000 anchor babies are born to foreign tourists, foreign visa workers, and foreign students every year — all of whom obtain immediate American

citizenship simply for being born within the parameters of the country.

Altogether, about 372,000 anchor babies are estimated to have been born last year.

There were more anchor babies born in 2019 than births in each of the 50 states except California (about 455,000 babies) and Texas (about 379,000 babies).

To date, the U.S. Supreme Court has never explicitly ruled that the U.S.-born children of illegal aliens must be granted automatic American citizenship, and a number of legal scholars dispute the idea.

Many leading conservative scholars argue the Citizenship Clause of the 14th Amendment does not provide mandatory birthright citizenship to the U.S.-born children of illegal aliens or noncitizens, as these children are not subject to U.S. jurisdiction as that language was understood when the 14th Amendment was ratified [in 1868]. Today, there are at least 4.5 million anchor babies in the U.S. under 18-years-old, costing American taxpayers about \$2.4 billion every year to subsidize hospital costs.

-- breitbart.com 5 January 2019

Colleges Track Hundreds of Thousands of Students Using Their Phones

Over 40 schools have begun using an app to monitor students campus-wide, according to the Washington Post.

The SpotterEDU app uses Bluetooth beacons to ping a student's smartphone once they enter a lecture hall. School officials give SpotterEDU the students' full schedules, and the system can email a professor or adviser automatically if a student skips class or walks in more than two minutes late. The app records a full timeline of the students' presence.

Syracuse U. instructor Jeff Rubin uses the app to award "attendance points". "They want those points," he said; his 340-student lecture has around 90% attendance.

Not everyone is thrilled with the intrusive new technology, which many argue breaches students' privacy rights on a massive scale.

"We're adults. Do we really need to be tracked?" said sophomore Robby Pfeifer, a student at Commonwealth U. in Richmond, which recently began using the campus' WiFi network to track students. "How does this benefit us? ... And is it just going to keep progressing until we're

micromanaged every second of the day?"

School and company officials argue that monitoring will encourage students to adopt habits geared towards success.

Some schools have taken things further - assigning "risk scores" to students based on factors such as whether they are going to the library enough.

But some educators say this vigilance threatens to undermine students' independence and prevents them from pursuing interests beyond the classroom because they feel they might be watched.

Hilariously, creators of the dystopian surveillance app have tried to make things 'more fun,' by 'gamifying students' schedules with colorful Bitmoji or digital multiday streaks.'

Meanwhile, another app from Austin-based Degree Analytics uses WiFi check-ins to track around 200,000 students across 19 state universities, private colleges and other schools, according to the *Post*.

Founded by data scientist Aaron Benz, the company claims their system by using campus WiFi data can measure and analyze 98% of students attendance and signs of personal anguish

Benz outlined a recent real-life case: that of Student ID 106033, a depressed and "extremely isolated" student he called Sasha whom the system had flagged as "highly at-risk" because she only left her dorm to eat. "At every school, there are lots of Sashas," he said. "And the bigger you are, the more Sashas that you have." - Washington Post

-- www.zerohedge.com 12/25/2019

Survival camps cater to new fear: America's political unrest

FORTITUDE RANCH, Colo. (Reuters) - Aiming an AR-15 rifle across a Colorado valley dotted with antelope and cattle, Drew Miller explains how members of his survival ranch would ride out an apocalypse.

The former U.S.A.F. intelligence officer said his latest Fortitude Ranch community will shelter Americans fleeing anything from a bioengineered pandemic to an attack on the electricity grid.

For an annual fee of around \$1,000, members can vacation at the camps, and use them as a refuge during a societal collapse.

Miller's camp chain underscores the growing mainstream

appeal of the "prepper" movement long associated with anti-government survivalists.

Increasingly, Miller said, clients fear political divisions will deepen around the Nov. 3, 2020 U.S. presidential election.

Miller has added "civil war" to his risk scenarios.

Skeptics said Fortitude Ranch was preparing for catastrophic events that were unlikely and possibly not worth surviving.

NYU Professor Robyn Gershon predicted a bad ending for anyone holing up in a compound with strangers to make it through a global pandemic or nuclear war.

"The quality of life will be degraded to a point where it probably won't be worth living," said Gershon.

The solar-powered camps

The solar-powered camps cater to middle-class urban Americans, many of whom are not schooled in off-the-grid living and have no idea how to hunt. Besides the annual fee, the main requirement for members is an AR-15 style rifle or pump-action shotgun for defense.

The camps stock about three months of food and have goats and chickens. In a collapse situation, members would follow orders from camp leaders like Miller. Tasks would include collecting firewood and nuts, killing game and growing vegetables. Everyone would do guard duty.

Miller expects marauding gangs to pour out of cities if law and order breaks down. He expects his ranches to have superior firepower. The Colorado camp has a .50 caliber rifle to take on armored vehicles.

Fortitude Ranch has around 175 members from all ethnic groups, many with business or military backgrounds, and most distrust the government, said Miller. He asked that exact locations of camps not be disclosed.

If he can find investors, Miller hopes to expand communities from two existing locations in Colorado and one in West Virginia to 10 more states.

Roman Zrazhevskiy, chief executive of Ready To Go Survival, said sales of his survival-kit bags and gas masks have doubled or tripled on demand from "liberal preppers".

"They're concerned about what Trump is doing," he said. "The whole civil war thing isn't that implausible." -- www.reuters.com Dec. 23, 2019

Why Gun Violence Is Surging in Toronto

Gun violence is a growing problem in Toronto according to police statistics

By the end of 2019, more than 760 people had been shot in the city, 44 of whom were killed, triple the number of shooting victims in the city in 2014.

Unlike in the U.S., there is no right to bear arms in the Canadian constitution, meaning it is easier for the government to legislate gun control. Hunting rifles can be fairly easily purchased with a license. But people who want to buy handguns and semi-automatic rifles must undergo deep background checks and abide by detailed restrictions on how and where to use those types of firearms.

In 2012 the Conservative government dismantled a national gun registry which gun owners had to sign onto with each purchase. And since 2013, the number of restricted weapons, like semi-automatic rifles and handguns, has grown by 50% to over a million total.

The weakening of national gun control legislation has had an impact on gun crime, says Wendy Cukier, head of the Toronto-based Coalition for Gun Control. "As we progressively strengthened gun control in Canada," she says, "we saw the rates of gun violence, particularly suicide, violence against women and so on, fall. And for the last few years, we've seen an uptick."

According to government statistics, gun violence overall rose by over 40% in Canada between 2013 and 2017.

Toronto Police Chief Mark Saunders says that the city's recent gun violence "by and large have street gang connotations to them," pointing to the gang membership of the victims and those arrested. There is a thriving gang culture in Toronto centered on the illegal drug trade.

Saunders, and others believe the growth in gang activity is partly rooted in the city's growing gap between rich and poor.

Gun control advocates in Toronto, including Mayor John Tory, have been calling for a handgun ban since a 2018 mass shooting, which left three people dead and 13 injured.

The Liberals and the left-leaning New Democratic Party likely have the votes needed to pass an assault weapons ban, and a buy-back from willing gun owners.

-- www.npr.org/2020/01/17

VA: More Second Amendment Sanctuaries

As of January 8 Virginia has 123 sanctuaries, including:
County: Clarke County, Highland

County: Clarke County, Highland County, Essex County, Chesterfield County, Chincoteague County

Town: Virginia Beach, Bowling Green, Bedford, Stanley -- VCDL Alerts Jan. 8, 2020

W.VA Invites Second Amendment Sanctuary Counties from VA to Secede and Join Their State

West Virginia lawmakers introduced a resolution on January 14 inviting Virginia's Second Amendment sanctuary counties to "be admitted to the body politic of the State of West Virginia."

House Concurrent Resolution 8 reads: Whereas, Article VI, Section 11 of The Constitution of the State of West Virginia explicitly permits additional territory to become part of this state, with the consent of the Legislature and of a majority of the qualified voters of the state; and

Whereas, the Legislature of West Virginia hereby extends an invitation to our fellow Virginians to join us in our noble experiment of 156 years of separation from the government at Richmond:

Whereas, West Virginia finds that in 1863, due to longstanding neglect for the interests of the citizens of Western Virginia, Virginia was irretrievably divided, and the new State of West Virginia was formed; and

Whereas, Richmond now seeks to place intolerable restraints upon the rights guaranteed under the Second Amendment of the United States Constitution; and

Whereas, Richmond now repudiates the counsel of that tribune of liberty, Patrick Henry-who stated in 1788 that "The great object is that every man be armed. Everyone who is able might have a gun"; and

Whereas, Richmond now repudiates the counsel of a premier advocate of American independence, Richard Henry Lee-who stated that "To preserve liberty, it is essential that the whole body of the people always possess arms"; and

Whereas, Richmond now repudiates the counsel of that zealous guardian of our inherent rights, George Mason-who stated that "To disarm the people...[i]s the most effectual way to enslave them": and

Whereas, Richmond now repudiates the declaimer of our independence, Thomas Jefferson-who stated, that "No free man shall ever be debarred the use of arms"; and

Whereas, The Boards of Supervisors of many Virginia counties and the Councils of many Virginia cities have recognized this dangerous departure from the doctrine of the Founders on the part of the government at Richmond; and

Whereas, Providing that the General Assembly of the Commonwealth of Virginia shall give its assent to any county or independent city presently part of the Commonwealth of Virginia having the opportunity and ability to do so, therefore, be it

Resolved by the Legislature of West Virginia:

That the question of admission, or, the rejection of such admission, of any county or independent city of the Commonwealth of Virginia desiring admission to the State of West Virginia, and a majority of whose qualified voters, voting on the question, have approved such measure, prior to August 1, 2020, shall be submitted to the voters of the State of West Virginia at the next general election to be held in the year 2020.

www.informationliberation.co m January 14, 2020

Ed. A map of Virginia provided by Gun Rights Watch shows that at least 90% of Virginia's counties are 2d Amendment sanctuaries.

Watch List: 260 Million Christians Experience 'High Levels of Persecution'

Christian persecution reached an unprecedented level in 2019, with over 260 million Christians facing "high levels of persecution," Open Doors revealed Wednesday.

In its World Watch List 2020, Open Doors notes that one in 8 believers around the world suffers serious levels of persecution.

In a nutshell, the new report reveals, every day, eight Christians are killed because of their faith and 23 are raped or sexually harassed; every week, 182 Christian churches or buildings are attacked and 102 Christian homes, shops or businesses are attacked,

burned, or destroyed; *every month*, 309 Christians are imprisoned unjustly.

The most acute persecution of Christians occurs in North Korea with Afghanistan close behind.

In the case of North Korea, persecution is driven by a virulent atheistic Communist ideology which views the estimated 200,000 to 400,000 Christians as traitors of the state because their allegiance is to God, not supreme leader Kim Jong Un. Moreover, they also form part of the lowest "hostile class" in the country's social stratification system called Songbun.

The mere possession of a Bible in North Korea is grounds for arrest, torture, and life imprisonment in a labor camp. Currently, some 50,000 to 75,000 Christians live inside North Korea's massive prison system, where starvation and physical and mental abuse are part and parcel of their sentence.

Open Doors has monitored Christian persecution since 1992 and launched its Watch List in 2002, which has been topped by North Korea every year.

In Afghanistan Christians are also seen as traitors, but traitors to Islam rather than to an atheist state.

According to Afghan law, citizens may not become Christians and conversion is seen as apostasy as well as treason, and converts are often killed by their family, clan, or tribe.

Following North Korea and Afghanistan in order are Somalia, Libya, Pakistan, Eritrea, Sudan, Yemen, Iran and India

In eight of the top ten countries where Christian persecution is highest, Islamist ideology is the prime driver of the hostility.

-- breitbart.com 16 January 2020

Monsey attacks prompt a call to arms as weapons training, self-defense courses surge

Fear spawned by the Monsey machete attack [on Dec. 28, 2019 on six people at synagogue] has driven a surge in weapons training and self-defense courses among residents taught from birth to rely on prayer and charity for protection.

Synagogue attacks in Pittsburgh, PA and Poway, CA, and an assault in their own neighborhood has changed their reality dramatically.

"The level of fear is very high," said Rivkie Feiner, a Monsey resident.

A Pennsylvania-based training academy, Cherev Gidon, which means "sword of Gideon" in Hebrew, run by veterans of the Israeli Defense Forces, is providing training on how to use a gun against an armed synagogue attacker, and when it's legal to use deadly force.

Gidon's training here focuses on the weapons allowed under New York state law, including semiautomatic rifles like AR-15s with fixed magazines and pump action shotguns.

In a video on its website, one unnamed participant wrote: "I believe that every Jew needs to own a gun and learn how to use it and be ready to defend themselves because the goyim (non Jews) don't care where you live, eventually they're going to come for you."

"We're the largest Jewish community per capita in any county in the entire country. It's a horrific wake-up call. People are not going to sit around and do nothing," Feiner said." As Orthodox Jews we believe prayers protect us, and helping people is another form of protection (but) you don't bury your head in the sand."

Ramapo Supervisor Michael Specht said the prospect of more firearms in the hands of a nervous community was concerning, but said "people have the right within the law to take means to defend themselves but at the same time to make sure everybody doesn't do anything to add to a dangerous situation."

After a photo showing a trio of men armed with semiautomatic assault rifles standing outside a Monsey home was widely circulated on social media, he said town police had determined the men were on private property and their guns were legal.

-- Rockland/Westchester News Jan.5.2020

Ed.: Fortunately for Jews "the goyim" included the right to keep and bear arms in the U.S. Constitution. Now if Monsey Jews would inform Senator Schumer and other anti-constitution Jewish politicians....

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